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## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-58 are currently pending in the application. By this response, Applicants elect Species 1, Figures 1, 9 and 11, without traverse. Claims 1-6, 14-22, 31-38 and 58 are directed to the elected species.

The Examiner indicates that claims 1, 15, 25 and 32 are generic. However, since a triangular prism of a line-beam-generating optical system recited in claim 25 separates "the collimated light into <u>four</u> light beams," Applicants submit that claim 25 is readable only on Species 2.

Applicants request examination on the merits of the application. Applicant hereby makes a written conditional petition for extension of time, if required. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's **Deposit Account No. 23-1951**. Any questions may be directed to the undersigned at the phone number below.

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